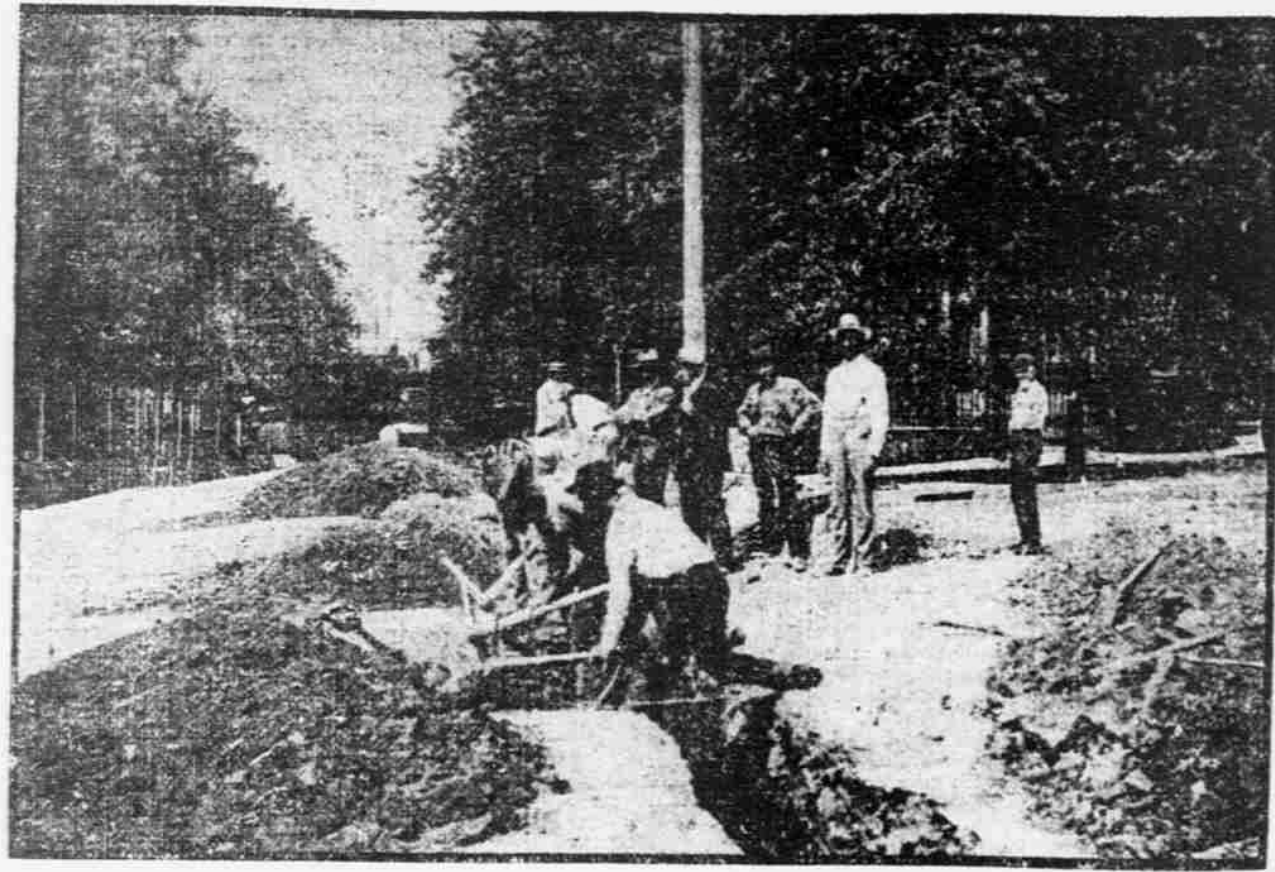


# TELEPHONE CABLES TO BE PUT UNDERGROUND AND POLES TAKEN FROM RESIDENCE STREETS.



—By a Republic Photographer.  
Laborers digging trenches in Spring avenue near Lindell boulevard for the Bell Telephone Company's cable conduits. Eighty-seven were working at this point Sunday.

Important operations for extension of the conduit system all over the city have been inaugurated by the Bell and Kinloch Telephone companies. As far west as King's Highway boulevard the big heavy cables belonging to those corporations will be taken from the poles and put underground, leaving the streets and alleys in the residence districts clear of unsightly poles and networks of low-tension wires.

Engineers of the Bell Telephone Company have devised plans for the construction of conduits for the principal lines running in the central part of the city from Jefferson avenue to King's Highway boulevard, and along this boulevard between Delmar boulevard and Easton avenue.

Great progress has already been made, as the trench-digging must, in accordance with regulations imposed by Mayor Wells, precede the building of streets, so that newly made thoroughfares shall not be unnecessarily torn up. Beginning at Twenty-second street, fourteen conduits have been laid in the alley south of Olive street as far out as Spring avenue. The work will be continued from this point out to King's Highway boulevard.

Laborers began digging early yesterday morning in Spring avenue between Olive street and Laclede avenue. Ducts must be laid here within four days, and for this

reason the work was pushed on Sunday. The street will be reconstructed with brick by the Parker-Washington Company, which concern agreed to defer beginning long excavations until the conduits to be laid.

Cables will be buried in Spring avenue, between Olive street and Park avenue, north and south, for a considerable distance, as yet not definitely determined; in Boyle avenue and Whittier street, in Leonard avenue between Olive and School streets, and in other streets as may be decided later.

The work on Spring avenue is in charge of H. L. Bostelmann of the Bell Telephone Company and John Polson, superintendent for Frum and Colton, contractors. Excavations have been made in Leonard avenue between Olive and Locust streets. Trench-digging will be started this morning on King's Highway near Delmar boulevard. In each conduit, wherever one is constructed, from two to twenty-one ducts will be laid.

The Kinloch Telephone Company has already constructed conduits in the alley between Morgan street and Lucas avenue, from Jefferson avenue to King's Highway boulevard, and in the boulevard between Easton avenue and the Suburban right-of-way. Other extensions are in prospect. In all probability King's Highway boulevard

will be rid of poles entirely. The telephone companies have found that it is more economical to place wires and cables underground than on poles and other objects subject to destruction from storms and other causes. Extension of the conduit system will improve the service, often raising of poles by storms and fire-wrecked buildings temporarily interfered with the service, and the engineers were not slow to recognize the advantage from a commercial standpoint of having cables and wires in conduits, where they could not be rendered useless or destroyed.

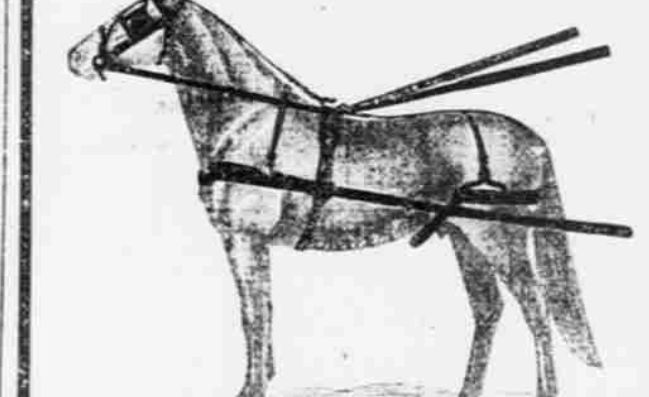
The telephone companies have pressed the Board of Public Improvements for an indefinite time for legislation for extension of the conduit boundaries. But no law has been enacted.

Along many streets in residence sections, high-tension wires are strung on the same poles with low-tension wires. "We prefer," said A. J. O'Reilly, Superintendent of City Lighting, "to have high-tension and low-tension wires on the same line of poles than to have two lines of poles on a street. The only way we can avoid having heavily charged wires on the same poles with low-tension wires is by constructing a law. The construction of conduits by the telephone companies will insure better service to patrons of the company."

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